

DATE: February 3, 2010

TO: City Clerk

FROM: Representative Steve Ortega

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Please place the following item on the (Check one): CONSENT X REGULAR _____

Agenda for the Council Meeting of February 9, 2010

Appointment of Linda T. Vick, as a regular member, to the Building and Standards Commission

Item should read as follows: by Representative Steve Ortega, District 7

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS: Category: Social Worker

BOARD COMMITTEE/COMMISSION APPOINTMENT/REAPPOINTMENT FORM

NAME OF BOARD/COMMITTEE/COMMISSION: Building and Standards Commission

NOMINATED BY: Representative Steve Ortega DISTRICT: 7

NAME OF APPOINTEE Linda T. Vick

(Please verify correct spelling of name)

BUSINESS ADDRESS: _____

CITY: El Paso

ST: TX

ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____

HOME ADDRESS: _____

CITY: El Paso

ST: TX

ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____

WHO WAS THE LAST PERSON TO HAVE HELD THIS POSITION BEFORE IT BECAME VACANT?

NAME OF INCUMBENT:

Margie Aguilar-Desrosier

EXPIRATION DATE OF INCUMBENT:

08/21/2009

REASON PERSON IS NO LONGER IN OFFICE (CHECK ONE):

TERM EXPIRED: X

RESIGNED _____

REMOVED _____

DATE OF APPOINTMENT:

02/09/2010

EXPIRATION DATE OF NEW APPOINTEE:

02/09/2012

PLEASE CHECK ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

1st TERM: X

2nd TERM: _____

UNEXPIRED TERM: _____

LINDA T. VICK

Professional Objectives: Use of Social Work experience along with psychotherapy skills with supervisor role.

LICENSURE TX LCSW 50156; NM LISW I-4384 (Status Inactive); C-ASWCM (Specialty in Case Management)
EDUCATIONAL M.S.S.W., University Of Texas at Arlington, 8-89
BACKGROUND B.S. (Psych), University of Texas at Dallas, Cum Laude, 8-87
EXPERIENCE SUMMARY

- * Case Management role in both in-patient and out-patient setting with diverse populations from assessment through discharge planning, nursing home evaluation/placement.
- * Clinical experience w/individual, group and family therapy for varied age groups including expertise with adults and elderly clients, in settings of out-patient as well as in-patient.
- * Experience with varied mentally ill populations.
- * Supervision of multi-disciplinary staff from Psychiatrists to support staff.
- * Designed/developed/implemented treatment and treatment update plans.
- * Provided educational seminars on grief, assertiveness, anger management, etc.
- * Developed/conducted in-service training/seminars for all size groups.
- * Brief Therapy training and experience.
- * M.S.W. Student Coordinator, liaison/supervisor/sponsor.
- * Formal/experiential knowledge of the physically and terminally ill patient.
- * Considerable experience with Medicare, Medicaid, Welfare and other benefit programs
- * Design/development of fund-raising events w/both small and large groups.
- * Excellent personal communications skills working with executives as well as diversified staff.
- * Computer skills in Word, Excel, Power Point, etc.

EXPERIENCE

01/22/10 to Present ZietgeistWellnessGroup, El Paso, TX office
Clinical Social Worker: Individual Psychotherapy in a private practice setting.

10-30-06 to 01/22/10 WBAMC at the Restoration & Resilience Center, Ft. Bliss, TX (contractor Spectrum Healthcare, Inc.)
Clinical Social Worker: Initially hired as a Program Director, I was responsible for design and development of the Warrior Resilience Program (WRP) for active duty Soldiers who wished to remain in the military and complete their careers, but also who have PTSD. The WRP opened in July of 2007 and our first soldiers started on 8-28-07. Development of the WRP required the research of multiple modalities (i.e.: EMDR, Hypnotherapy, Psychodynamic Therapy, Exposure Therapy, Breath Coaching, Pet Encounter Therapy, Acupuncture, Chiropractic, Reiki, Therapeutic Massage, and Qi Gong, Tai Chi, Yoga, to name a few). My investigation lead to the integration of many of those modalities into a program which includes research, treatment and maintenance in a unique and innovative format of an Intensive Outpatient Program (I.O.P.) that can last from 6 to 9 months. I helped designed and developed the curriculum and schedules for both soldiers and providers for the WRP. This included development of both admission and discharge criteria as well as creating the forms needed for the on-going evaluation process. Currently, now that the program has been running for over 1 year, as a clinician, I provide Individual and group therapy for participants of WRP as well as providing proper S.O.A.P. documentation training for all clinical staff. This includes on-going quality assurance of that documentation. Also, during the developmental and design phase, provided Individual and Group psychotherapy at Community Mental Health Services for Soldiers with a multitude of psychiatric diagnoses, specializing in PTSD and stress related disorders.

07-99 to 07-15-06 University of New Mexico Hospital: Care Management Services, Albuquerque, NM
M.S.W. Case Manager: Began as Social Work Case Manager (SWCM) working directly with both the Neurology Team and the Neurosurgery Team to provide case management services needed for hospitalized patients. From assessment through discharge planning, worked with patients and/or families. After one year, moved to the out-patient clinics on 5ACC working as a team with an RN Case Manager to provide case management for patients seen in the two (2) general medicine and a specialty clinic ranging from Urology to Cardiac to Hepatitis patients. Case management skills used to keep the patient out of the hospital. This could be done either in the clinic or in the patient's home, either with or without the RN Case Manager based on the specific needs of the patients and referral requests from the physicians. This position also provided social work services for the ALS Clinic in the Neuroscience dept., monthly, with more intensive counseling needs. Working in all the clinics required working closely with all staff of the clinics including support staff, nurses, clinic managers, pharmacists, residents, interns, physicians as well as physical, respiratory, speech and dietary therapists. Counseling was provided to all patients on a short term basis as requested. Recently moved to a new Surgical Specialty clinic for part-time work, but continue to do provide services for the ALS Clinic at that teams request. (Hus. transferred to El Paso, TX.)

03-2000 to 03-06 Muscular Dystrophy Association: Albuquerque, NM
Group Facilitator: Started in 2000 as Group Facilitator for the monthly meetings of general, adult, MDA Support Group providing focus and leadership as needed. Presented at a yearly local ALS Conferences on Medicare, Medicaid, Disability and Resources as they related to ALS/MDA patients. Was asked to help start the MDA ALS Support Group in 2004 and recommended the Social Work replace me for the general MDA group.

03-98 to 05-99 Prison Health Services: El Dorado Correctional Facility, El Dorado, KS
Licensed Masters Social Worker: Provided individual and group psychotherapy for inmates with mental health (MH) diagnosis and/or problems/issues, and completed required paperwork. Evaluated history of inmates when a Clinical Service report was requested by the Kansas Parole Board (including extensive background, adj. to incarceration, diagnostic impression and recommendations). Also provided Mental Health services through rounds to the segregated population (high risk). Helped develop and implement specific MH Transitional Socialization Program (TSP) for segregated inmates who were being released from "super max" security back into the general population. Conducted assessments for MH classification on new inmates as well as assessments on inmates who displayed changes in behaviors or diagnosis. Provided On-Call services for crisis intervention, nights and weekends on rotating basis. Liaison between staff Unit Teams and inmates. Provided in-service programs to staff on intervention/management, suicide preventions, manipulative behaviors, etc. Worked closely with Institutional Parole Officer to coordinate on-going MH services for inmates to be paroled. (Husband transferred to Albuquerque, NM).

03-97 to The Salvation Army BOOTH YOUTH SERVICES, Wichita, KS

12-97 Clinical Supervisor: Newly designed position within a Residential Setting supervision five (5) Staff: Four (4) Treatment Coordinators each responsible for 8 to 14 adolescents, and one (1) Medical Liaison responsible for ordering medications, setting medical appointments, and working with staff on medical issues as appropriate. Provided all crisis counseling for residents, ages 12 to 17, being on-call 24/7. As part of the Policy Committee, helped provide new policy structure and developed/revised other policy issues. Provided medication educations as well as revised/implemented the medication system; designed/implemented Medical Policy and Procedure manual to meet JACHO requirements. Offered clinical options and insights to all staff regarding methods of treating behaviorally disturbed and psychiatrically diagnosed youth. Designed treatment plans and updates, and other needed forms, which would also meet JACHO requirements. Liaison for all Intake of new admissions and provided needed forms to improve this system. (Budget cuts and redesign of program eliminated this position.)

09-95 to Home Health Services, Methodist Hospital, Indianapolis, IN

05-96 Social Work/Case Manager: Worked part-time as a home/hospice social worker with a case load of 3 to 4 clients at one time. This was on an as needed basis, usually weekends and/or evenings. Provided evaluation of mental health and offered counseling services to ill/dying as well as elderly patients referred by the nursing staff or physician. Attended weekly staff meetings, worked closely with nursing staff and the patients physicians to provide continuity of care.

12-91 to BehavioralCorp. (was Tri-County Mental Health Center), Indianapolis, IN

08-96 Clinical Social Worker: Served over 40 clients, ranging in ages from 20 to 94, providing individual psychotherapy. First for the Older Adult Program, and then for adults of all ages. Also provided group and marital counseling services for all ages. Helped develop/implement an intensive Day Treatment Program exclusively for adults age 50 and older, operating successfully for one (1) year. Responsibilities included assessment, evaluation, diagnosis, treatment plans and all other paperwork required by JACHO. Was also responsible for over one-half of the PASARR contract with the Area Agency on Aging for a three (3) county area including 28 nursing homes. After my immediate supervisor retired, took over full responsibility of this contract, supervising staff, providing emergency services and completing all paperwork required by the State PASARR as well as local prescreening offices requirements. As part of the clinical team, worked closely with crisis intervention, a number of psychiatrists and other service providers to ensure the most effective triage services were provided. (Moved to Kansas to be near family)

06-91 to Staff Therapist: (Private Practice/Premier Counseling Group (owned by Tri-Count MH)

12-91 In an Out-Patient private practice clinic with two (2) other therapists and one psychiatrist provided individual therapy. This was a start-up practice with expectations of a case load of 50 to 60 clients. Worked with all ages of clientele, continued specialty working with the elderly. Marketing was required as part of the start-up process. Also provided out-reach services through seminars, etc. Transferred to main office and the Older Adult Program, just getting off the ground due to financial problems at Premier, which was closed within the next six (6) months.

06-90 to Larry Pincus and Associates, Multiple cities in Indiana

06-91 Private Practice: Started part-time as out-patient Psychotherapist in June of 1990. Helped develop Lawrence Pincus & Assoc. with Mr. Pincus from his own overwhelming practice. Provided individual and group counseling services to adults. Company was developed through networking with medical professionals from clinic staff to D.O.'s and Psychiatrists. Within a few months, clientele was such that it needed my full-time attention. Once in Private Practice, also began working as part-time staff of Kingwood Psychiatric Hospital (a P.I.A. Hosp.) in Michigan City, IN, providing contract in-patient individual as well as group counseling services for both adult and adolescent units. Also, provided out-reach through seminars and individual speaking. (Husband was transferred to Indianapolis, IN.)

11-89 to Horizon Health Management, Inc., Home Office in Oakbrook, IL

11-90 Social Worker: For over 7 months worked at St. Anthony's Medical Center, Restore Program, in Crown Point IN. Responsible for individual, group and family therapy on this adult psychiatric unit. Provided charting on patients and groups; assisted in development of additional group sessions, including family support group. This unit worked as a team sharing discharge planning as well as providing treatment plans. Also responsible for assigned patient BioPsychoSocials. Exceeded all referral development requirements on a regular basis.

Therapist: For 4 months worked for Horizons Special Care Program at North Texas Medical Center in McKinney, TX. Responsibilities on this new Geriatric, psychiatric unit (open only 3 months prior to my employment) were much the same as mentioned above. However, had complete responsibility for development of treatment plans and discharge planning, in coordination with treatment team. Also exceeded all referral development requirements. Moved within the company when husband transferred.

09/89 to 11/89 Arbor Creek Hospital (P.I.A.), Sherman, TX, Social Worker/Case Manager:

05/89 to 9/89 Senior Citizens of Greater Dallas (AAA), Assistant Volunteer Coordinator, NHOP Friendly Visitor Program

References and more information about work history available upon request